



**MEETING RECORD**  
**Landmark Preservation Commission**  
Tuesday, July 5th, 2016

**Public Hearing**

**2016L-005 1400 Lafayette Street - First Unitarian Society of Denver**

Description: Individual Landmark Designation  
Chair Holdorf opened the public hearing.  
Staff report by Kara Hahn, Senior City Planner.

Presentation by Applicants;  
Christopher Hahn, 8223 E 24<sup>th</sup> Dr.  
Mike Morran, 2861 Spruce St.  
Karen Derrick-Davis, 3119 Josephine St.

Summary:

- Geography Criteria – the congregation has expressed the desire to stay in the current iconic building. Many congregants identify with this potential Landmark as their spiritual home and have spent many hours within it's walls.
- History Criteria – church was founded 1871, three buildings have been used for the congregation. Unitarian congregations are governed by polity and they choose which social justice projects they will champion. In May 2013 the church identified the needs for building renovations. The church has served as a resource for United Way, Ladies Aid Society, The Denver Pride Center, The Gay Men's Choir, The Gay Women's Choir and the Mosaic Choir have all used the space.

Public Speakers:

	Speaker Name and Affiliation	Summary
1	Margaret Streit, 2950 Bellaire St.	In favor, property meets history criteria
2	Louis J. Thompson III, 2030 E 11 <sup>th</sup> Ave.	In favor, property meets geographic and architectural criteria
3	Rose Tanaka, 204 Madison St.	In favor, property meets history and geography criteria
4	Don Zeller, 4664 S Grant St.	In favor, property meets architecture criteria
5	Colleen Brian, 1947 S Washington St.	In favor, property meets geography criteria
6	Susan Robinson, 469 S York St.	In favor, property meets geography criteria
7	Stephanie Walton, 9635 W Kentucky Ave.	In favor, property meets history criteria
8	Maryann Thompson, 909 Lafayette St.	In favor, property meets history criteria
9	Shannon Schaefer, Historic Denver Inc.	In favor, property meets all criteria
10	Tamara Morran, 2861 Spruce St.	In favor, property meets architecture
11	Mark Skrutsky, 1031 Marion St.	In favor, property meets history criteria
12	Michael Koch, 728 Lafayette St.	In favor, property meets all criteria
13	Edward Carroll, 3078 W 39 <sup>th</sup> Ave.	In favor, property meets history criteria

Chair Holdorf closed the public hearing. Board discussion

Motion by K. Corbett: I move to recommend approval and forward to City Council for landmark designation of the structure 1400 Lafayette Street – First Unitarian Society of Denver, application #2016L-005, based on History Criterion 1a. and 1c., Architecture Criteria 2a. and b. and Geography Criterion 3a., citing as findings of fact for this recommendation the application form, public testimony, and the June 27, 2016 staff report.

Second by: H. Vasquez

Vote: Unanimous in favor (6-0), motion carries.